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I. POLICY

The Regional Juvenile Detention Centers shall provide a range of structured programs and services which provide the opportunity for each youth admitted to develop in accordance with their individual needs and strengths or attributes. These programs and services shall be provided in the least restrictive environment possible while maintaining the necessary protection to the individual youth, agency personnel and the community at large.

II. APPLICABILITY

This policy shall apply to all state-operated detention centers.

III. DEFINITION

Not Applicable

IV. PROCEDURES

A. Program and service components shall, at minimum, address the following areas:

1. Program orientation;
2. Initial custody screening and classification;
3. Observation and assessment to identify strengths, assets and developmental needs which youth can build upon;
4. Suicide risk screening;
5. Substance Abuse screening, education, and counseling;
6. Medical, dental and general health education;
7. Mental health;
8. Nutrition;
9. Shelter, to include adequate program space, equipment and supplies, sanitation, and basic housekeeping;
10. Clothing and personal hygiene;

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11. Social services and counseling (individual, group & family; life and social skills; decision making skills; anger management; money management; etc.);
 12. Gender specific programming;
 13. Academic education;
 14. Library services;
 15. Recreation and leisure time activities;
 16. Religious services and counseling;
 17. Behavior management and control, to include rules, discipline and grievance;
 18. Security and control, to include adequate staffing, ongoing staff training and professional development, supervision of youth; and staff interaction with youth;
 19. Emergency plans (fire, tornado, riot, bomb threat, etc.);
 20. Youth rights and privileges, to include access to attorneys, courts, legal material and news media;
 21. Communication: mail, telephone and visitation;
 22. Community involvement; volunteer and student internship services; and
 23. Release preparation.
- B. The Superintendent or designee shall conduct an annual collective needs survey. Examples for the conduct of such survey may include but not be limited to: polling staff, interviewing counselors and medical staff, gathering input from parents of the youth, DJJ personnel, community-based programs/agencies, judges, law enforcement, school systems, and others as deemed appropriate. Detention, as part of the juvenile justice system, shall also seek input from local, state, and national resources. The Superintendent, in collaboration with Central Office, shall use the information from the survey to assist in program development and improvement.

V. MONITORING MECHANISM

The Superintendent shall have responsibility for monitoring compliance with this policy. The Division of Program Services shall conduct, at minimum, annual program audits.